

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

On pages 5-6, please replace the paragraph beginning at line 26 of page 5 as follows:

An enrollment area 10 situated within, or at least associated with, trusted third party computer 1 provides the means for an entity 9 to obtain an individualized authenticity certification of the entity's Website 5 from trusted third party 1. This individualized authenticity certification may be evidenced by a seal 6 that appears on the entity's Website 5, or may be contained in a plug-in module associated with the trusted third party computer 1. Figure 1 illustrates one entity 9, the first entity 9(1), as having received such certification of its Website 5(1). Each entity 9 communicates with enrollment area 10 over a link 4(3), and with service provider server computer 2 over a link (4).

On page 15, please replace the paragraph beginning at line 2 as follows:

If entity 9 fails the checks set forth in step ~~26~~ 37, control passes to step 41, where trusted third party 1 informs entity 9 of its rejection. Specifically, trusted third party 1 might need to inform entity 9 that the registered owner of the domain name has changed and therefore entity 9 must re-enroll; or that entity 9 could not be authenticated and therefore does not ~~quality~~ qualify. Again, the method ends at step 42.

On page 15, please replace the paragraph beginning at line 15 as follows:

Typically, the shared hosting encryption ID that trusted third party 1 provides to service provider 2 is valid for a certain period of time only. When the time period expires, the underlying digital certificate is amended ~~in~~ to indicate that the certificate is no longer valid. Similarly, trusted third party 1 may need to revoke the certificate issued to service provider 2, e.g. because service provider 2 has violated the terms of the partner account established between trusted third party 1 and service provider 2. Again, revocation of the certificate is enforced by means of trusted third party 1 amending the certificate's status field to indicate that the certificate is no longer valid.

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